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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY CHIEF SECRETARIAT (WELFARE)

[G.O. Ms. No. 1/2012-Wel.(SCW), dated 29th February 2012]

ORDER

Whereas, the proposal to implement a new scheme called "The Grant of Free Laptop Computers to the Scheduled Caste Students studying Engineering/Master in Computer Application Course Rules, 2011" in the Union Territory of Puducherry as a learning tool to assist them in education;

2. Now, therefore, the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry is pleased to frame the rules for the said scheme as appended herewith and to order that the above referred scheme shall be implemented in this Union territory of Puducherry from the year 2011-12.

3 This issues with the concurrence of Finance Department, Puducherry *vide* their U.O No. 12252/FD/F5/A2, dated 23-1-2012.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

P. RAJALAKSHMI,

Under Secretary to Government (Welfare).

RULES FOR THE GRANT OF FREE LAPTOP COMPUTERS TO THE SCHEDULED CASTE STUDENTS STUDYING ENGINEERING/M.C.A. COURSES

- 1. Short title and commencement.— (i) These rules may be called "The Grant of Free Laptop Computers to Scheduled Caste Students Studying Engineering/Master in Computer Application Course Rules, 2011".
- (ii) They shall extend to the whole of the Union territory of Puducherry.
 - (iii) These rules shall come into force from the academic year 2011-12.
- 2. Object of the scheme.— The object of the scheme is to provide free laptop computers to scheduled caste students whose parental income does not exceed ₹ 2,00,000 per annum as a teaching tool to assist them in education.
- 3. *Definition.*—(i) "College" means all Government colleges and private colleges recognised by Government in the Union territory of Puducherry and admits therein students selected by Centralised Admission Committee (CENTAC);
- (ii) "Secretary" means the Secretary to Government in-charge of the subject of Adi-Dravidar Welfare;
- (iii) "Director" means the Director of Adi-Dravidar Welfare Department, Puducherry;
 - (iv) "Form" means the application form appended to these rules;
- (v) "Government" means the Administrator appointed by the President of India under Article 239 of the Constitution of India;

- (vi) "Scheduled Caste" means the caste which has been so declared in relation to the Union territory of Puducherry under Article 341 of the Constitution of India;
- (vii) "Students" includes both boys and girls studying Engineering/Master in Computer Application in any year duly selected and admitted to the course through Centralised Admission Committee (CENTAC).
- 4. *Eligibility.* (i) Boys and girls in colleges belonging to scheduled caste community and studying B.E./B.Tech/M.Tech./M.C.A. whose parental income does not exceed ₹ 2,00,000 per annum are eligible to be provided, with laptop computers. Necessary caste certificate as per the Constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Caste Order, 1964 and income certificate obtained from the Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar of the concerned Taluk or Sub-Taluk shall be produced along with the application.
- (ii) They shall be native of the Union territory of Puducherry by virtue of birth or having continuous residence for a period not less than five years. Students will be required to produce in this regard a Nativity Certificate or a Residence Certificate, as the case may be, obtained from Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar of the concerned Taluk or Sub-Taluk.
- (iii) The free laptop computer will be given on one time basis especially in the first year of the course and no laptop computer will be provided to any student due to loss/theft/damage.
- (iv) The candidates who have passed the qualifying examination and studying I year of B.E./B.Tech./M.Tech./M.C.A. course during the year of grant of free laptop computer will be eligible for consideration. The students studying in II, III and IV year in case of B.E./B.Tech. and in II year in case of M.Tech/M.C.A. courses and selected through Centralised Admission Committee (CENTAC) shall be considered for extending the benefits unless they have been provided with free laptop computer in the I year in case of B.E./B.Tech./M.Tech/M.C.A. and in the II year in case of lateral entry.
- (v) The candidate who received free laptop computer when admitted to B.E/B.Tech. course is not entitled for grant of laptop computer again when he joins another course in B.E/B.Tech. or M.Tech/M.C.A., etc.

- 5. Procedure for applying.— (i) An application for getting free laptop computer shall comprise of:
 - (a) The application for free laptop computer in the prescribed form duly filled in and signed by the student and countersigned by the parent/guardian;
 - (b) Caste, Nativity and Income Certificates in the prescribed form (Form-I) obtained from the Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar of Taluk or Sub-Taluk;
- (ii) The application duly filled in by the applicant shall be sent to the Director of Adi-Dravidar Welfare through the Head of the Institution in which the student is studying.
- 6. Prescription of specification of laptop computers.— (i) The technical specification of the laptop computers will be decided by the Department of Adi-Dravidar Welfare with the approval of the Secretary.
 - (ii) The laptop computers shall depict specific logo for identification.
- 7. Mode of disbursement.— (i) On being satisfied that the applicant has fulfilled all the conditions of eligibility, the Director shall sanction free laptop computer to the eligible scheduled caste students, after getting necessary expenditure sanction from the Government.
- (ii) The free laptop computer will be disbursed to the students through the colleges concerned.
- (iii) The free laptop computer shall be given to the individual scheduled caste student of B.E./B.Tech./M.Tech and M.C.A. course as a one time benefit;
- (iv) The candidates who received free laptop computers shall produce the same during the course of study for inspection or for any other temporary use by Government during the time of election, etc., when demanded.
- 8. Removal of doubts.— If any doubt arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the decision of the Government thereon shall be final.

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

ADI-DRAVIDAR WELFARE DEPARTMENT

APPLICATION FOR THE ISSUE OF FREE LAPTOP COMPUTERS TO SCHEDULED CASTE STUDENTS STUDYING ENGINEERING/M.C.A COURSES

Photo (Attested by Head of Institution)

- 1. Name of the candidate (in full and block letters)
- 2. Father's name :
- 3. Mother's name :
- 4. Date of birth :
- 5. Community/Sub-caste (copy of the community certificate to be enclosed).
- 6. (i) Name of the institution in which studying.
 - (ii) Course in which studying :
 - (iii) Year in which studying
 - (iv) Year of admission (in case of lateral entry, please specify as "Lateral Entry").
 - (v) Name of the examination passed (please specify H.SC./Diploma/ Degree whichever is applicable.)
- 7. CENTAC Admission No. and year (A copy of CENTAC Selection Order to be enclosed).
- 8. Family's annual income (certificate from Revenue official to be enclosed).

9. Name and address of the guardian/ and the relationship with applicant (if parents are not alive). Name : Address:

Relationship: Occupation:

10. Guardian's annual income (certificate from the Revenue official not below the rank of Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar of Taluk to be enclosed).

Note: If the applicant has no father, the income of widowed mother should by indicated. If the applicant has no father and mother and is looking after and supported by a guardian, the income of the guardian should be mentioned.

11. Documents attached (Attested copy of mark/caste/income/nativity certificate).

DECLARATION

I/We hereby declare that I/we have read the regulations of the scheme and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the rules. I/We will refund the entire cost of laptop computer if discontinued the course. I/We certify that the statements made in the application are correct and if any of them is found to be incorrect by the authority whose decision will be final and binding on me.

Signature/Left/Right-hand thumbimpression of parent/guardian.

Signature of the applicant.

Place : Date :

CERTIFICATE OF INSTITUTION

Certified that the particulars furnished by the applicant are verified and found to be correct. He/She is not in receipt of any assistance for laptop computer previously.

Place:	Signature of the Head of Institution
Date :	
Seal of the Institution:	

Note: The Head of Institution shall intimate the fact when the applicant discontinue the course.